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**IN THE MATTER OF
PROPOSAL FOR THE CREATION OF THE LOW POWER FM
(LPFM) Broadcast Service**

FCC RM-9242

TO: Federal Communications Commission

Reply-comments of Thomas Acey

The city that I live in (Newark, New Jersey) has a desperate need for a radio voice. The reason being that the stations licensed to the city ignore local and city information and news.

A good example of this is; the local elections this past May. The stations licensed to the City of Newark all of them gave Newark and other local elections scant coverage. Also the licensed Newark stations even say New York City in call letter ID's. These are some of the many reasons that Low Power local broadcasting is needed.

The claim of interference on second and third adjacent channels is not fact founded. There are over 400 full power F. M. stations grandfathered and operating without interference. Low power stations will not cause interference either.

In the early days of F. M. the large broadcasters said that A. M. should be for wide area coverage and F. M. should be for local coverage. Now the same people are saying just the opposite.

Over sixty percent of radio listeners are in cars during drive time. This is also a good reason for Micro Broadcasting. Most people

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only drive ten miles or less to work according to automobile insurance statistics. Low Power Radio could easily reach most of that audience, if the power levels listed in RM-9242 are put into being.

Adding a new service would not decrease the over all service to the public, but would add more service.

The reason for the over-burdening of the F .C. C. is that the Broadcaster's Lobbyist convinced the Commission to cut back on its authority the reason broadcasters for the most part police themselves, Micro Broadcasters could do the same and would be inclined to do so to maintain their status.

If more agents are needed they should be hired by the Commission, who's job it is to regulate and oversee the Public Airways, in the interest of the people (taxpayers).

CONCLUSION :

The Commission must consider a new service in the form of Low Power Broadcasting so as to put the Public Airways in local hands once again.

Respectfully submitted,



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